

Amendments to the Claims:

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1-8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein at least one of the first and second morpheme inputs to the device is based on detected light variations.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein at least one of the first and second morpheme inputs to the device is based on detected thermal variations.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein at least one of the first and second morpheme inputs to the device is based on detected electromagnetic variations.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein at least one of the first and second morpheme inputs to the device is based on detected vibration variations.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein at least one of the first and second morpheme inputs to the device is based on detected acoustic variations.

14-20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) A method for inputting information, the method comprising:

deforming a deformable piece of material applied to a surface of a hand-held computing device to provide a first electro-physical morpheme input to the device without pushing buttons, the first morpheme input normally triggering a first default action by the device; and

asynchronously deforming the deformable piece to provide a second electro-physical morpheme input to the device without pushing buttons, with the second morpheme input converting the normally triggered first default action to a second action by the device, the second action ~~based on~~resulting from the first default action.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein at least one of the first morpheme and the second morpheme inputs to the device is based on orienting the deformable piece relative to an external environmental object.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein deforming the deformable piece further comprises at least one of twisting, stretching, bending, ripping, pinching and perforating the deformable piece.

24. (Currently Amended) A method for inputting information, the method comprising:

deforming a deformable piece of material applied to a surface of a hand-held computing device to provide a first electro-physical morpheme input to the device without pushing buttons, the first morpheme input normally triggering a first default action by the device; and

orienting a~~the~~ deformable piece ~~applied to a surface of a hand-held computing device,~~ relative to an external environmental ~~object,~~object to provide a ~~first~~second electro-physical morpheme input to the device;

triggering a ~~first~~second default action by the ~~device,~~device in response only to the orienting of the deformable piece relative to the external environmental object, the second default action resulting from the first default action.

25. (Currently Amended) A method for inputting information, the method comprising:

manipulating a deformable piece of material applied to a surface of a hand-held computing device to provide a first electro-physical morpheme input to the device, the first morpheme input normally triggering a first default action by the device; and

asynchronously manipulating the deformable piece to provide a second electro-physical morpheme input to the device, with the second morpheme input converting the normally triggered first default action to a second action by the device, the second action ~~based on~~ resulting from the first default action.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the deformable piece of material substantially surrounds the hand-held computing device.

27. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the first input is independent and is not part of the second input.

28. (New) The method of claim 21, wherein the first input is independent and is not part of the second input.

29. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the first default action is an ongoing action of the device other than an idle action.

30. (New) The method of claim 21, wherein the first default action is an ongoing action of the device other than an idle action.

31. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the first default action is continuously in effect until being converted to the second action.

32. (New) The method of claim 21, wherein the first default action is continuously in effect until being converted to the second action.

33. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein:
the first default action causes a display of a list of items to scroll, and the second action causes the scrolling to stop.

34. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the first default action causes a display of a list of items to scroll, and the second default action changes the speed of the scrolling.

35. (New) The method of claim 21, the first default action setting the device into an operation with a first status, the second action setting the device in the operation with a second status that is different from the first status.

36. (New) The method of claim 25, the first default action setting the device into an operation with a first status, the second action setting the device in the operation with a second status that is different from the first status.

37. (New) The method of claim 24, the first default action setting the device into an operation with a first status, the second action setting the device in the operation with a second status that is different from the first status.

38. (New) The method of claim 21, the first input being provided by a first type of deformation of the deformable piece, the second input being provided by a second type of deformation of the deformable piece, the second type of deformation being different from the first type of deformation.

39. (New) The method of claim 25, the first input being provided by a first type of deformation of the deformable piece, the second input being provided by a second type of deformation of the deformable piece, the second type of deformation being different from the first type of deformation.